IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

\$ Chapter 11

\$ RTI HOLDING COMPANY, LLC

\$ Case No. 20-12456

\$ Debtors.

BOWIE CAD, TEXAS' OBJECTION TO DEBTORS CHAPTER 11 PLAN [ECF 353]

NOW COMES Bowie Central Appraisal District, Texas (hereinafter "Bowie CAD") and files this objection to the Debtor's Chapter 11 Plan (the "Plan") and would respectfully show the Court the following:

- 1. Bowie CAD, a duly organized governmental unit of the State of Texas, is the holder of a claim for pre-petition ad valorem personal property taxes for the 2020 taxes assessed against the property of the Debtors in the aggregate amount of \$3,499.37.
- 2. Bowie CAD's pre-petition claims are secured by unavoidable, first priority, perfected liens on all of the Debtors' business personal property pursuant to Texas Tax Code Section 32.01 and 32.05 and 11 U.S.C. Section 362(b)(18). In re Winn's Stores, Inc., 177 B.R. 253 (Bankr. W. D. Tex. 1995); Central Appraisal District of Taylor County v. Dixie-Rose Jewels, Inc., 894 S.W.2d 841 (Tex. App. Eastland 1995). These liens arise on January 1 of each tax year along with the property owner's personal liability for the ad valorem taxes and attach to the property by operation of law. Tex. Prop. Tax Code 32.01; 11 U.S.C. Sec. 362(b)(18). Texas Tax Code Section 32.01 provides:

- (a) On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property, whether or not the taxes are imposed in the year the lien attaches. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit having power to tax the property.
- (b) A tax lien on inventory, furniture, equipment, or other personal property is a lien *in solido* and attaches to all inventory, furniture, equipment, and other personal property that the property owner owns on January 1 of the year the lien attaches or that the property owner subsequently acquires
- (c) ..
- (d) The lien under this section is perfected on attachment and ... perfection requires no further action by the taxing unit.
- 11 U.S.C. Section 362(b)(18) allows the attachment of liens that secure taxes that come due post-petition.
 - (b) ... a tax lien provided by this chapter takes priority over the claim of any creditor of a person whose property is encumbered by the lien and over the claim of any holder of a lien on property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before attachment of the tax lien.
 - 3. Bowie CAD objects to confirmation of the Plan because it does not provide for the payment of interest on their Secured claims. *U.S. v. Noland*, 517 U.S. 535 (1996).
 - 4. Bowie CAD objects to confirmation of the Plan to the extent that it does not provide that they retain the liens that secure all base tax, penalties and interest that may accrue on their Secured claims.

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5. Bowie CAD objects to the treatment of their claims because the Plan does not specifically

provide for retention of their liens against their collateral.

6. Bowie CAD objects to confirmation of the Plan because it does not provide for when Bowie

CAD shall receive payment of their claim. Bowie CAD is still entitled to post-petition pre

Effective Date interest and post Effective Date interest at the state statutory rate of 1% per

month and 12% per annum, respectively, to the extent that the taxes are not paid in full

prior to the delinquency date, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Sections 506(b), 511 and 1129. Bowie

CAD has the right to know if the Debtors intend to pay their claims in installments or in

one lump sum, the number of installments that the Debtors contemplate and when they

should expect the first installment payment or the lump sum payment of their claims. The

Plan does not provide any of these details.

WHEREFORE, Bowie CAD objects to the Debtor's Plan and requests this Court to order

appropriate provisions to assure the protection of the position of their secured claims and further

request other such relief as is just and proper.

Dated: December 15, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on December 15, 2020, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.

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